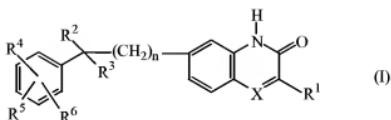


Listing of Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the captioned application.

1. (Currently Amended) A compound of formula (I),



the *N*-oxide forms, the addition salts and the stereo-chemically isomeric forms thereof, wherein

n is 0, 1 or 2;

X is N or CR⁷, wherein R⁷ is hydrogen or taken together with R¹ may form a bivalent radical of formula -CH=CH-CH=CH-;

R¹ is C₁₋₆alkyl or thienyl;

R² is hydrogen, hydroxy, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₃₋₆alkynyl or taken together with R³ may form =O;

R³ is a radical selected from

- (CH₂)_s - NR⁸R⁹ (a-1),
- O - H (a-2), or
- O - R¹⁰ (a-3),
- ~~- S - R¹¹~~ (a-4), or
- ~~- C≡N~~ (a-5);

wherein

s is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

R⁸ is -CHO, C₁₋₆alkyl, hydroxyC₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkylcarbonyl, di(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminoC₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxyC₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkylcarbonylaminoC₁₋₆alkyl, piperidinylC₁₋₆alkyl, piperidinylC₁₋₆alkylaminocarbonyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxy, thiencylC₁₋₆alkyl, pyrrolylC₁₋₆alkyl, arylC₁₋₆alkylpiperidinyl, arylcarbonylC₁₋₆alkyl, arylcarbonylpiperidinylC₁₋₆alkyl,

haloindozolylpiperidinylC₁₋₆alkyl, or
arylC₁₋₆alkyl(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminoC₁₋₆alkyl;

R⁹ is hydrogen or C₁₋₆alkyl; and

R¹⁰ is C₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkylcarbonyl or di(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminoC₁₋₆alkyl; and

R¹¹ is di(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminoC₁₋₆alkyl;

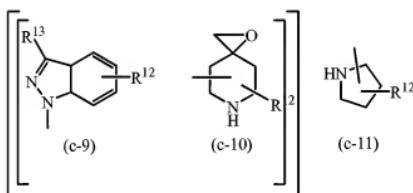
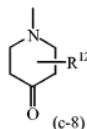
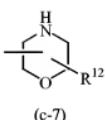
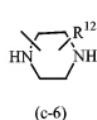
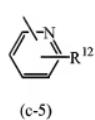
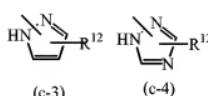
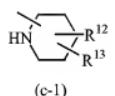
or R³ is a group of formula



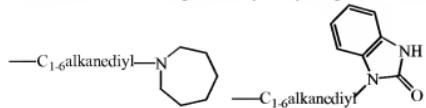
wherein

t is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

Z is a heterocyclic ring system selected from



wherein each R¹² independently is hydrogen, C₁₋₆alkyl, aminocarbonyl, hydroxy,



C₁₋₆alkyloxyC₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxyC₁₋₆alkylamino, di(phenylC₂₋₆alkenyl), piperidinylC₁₋₆alkyl, C₃₋₁₀cycloalkyl, C₃₋₁₀cycloalkylC₁₋₆alkyl,

aryloxy(hydroxy)C₁₋₆alkyl, haloindazolyl, arylC₁₋₆alkyl, arylC₂₋₆alkenyl, morpholino, C₁₋₆alkylimidazolyl, or pyridinylC₁₋₆alkylamino; and
each R¹³ independently is hydrogen, piperidinyl or aryl;

R⁴, R⁵ and R⁶ are each independently selected from hydrogen, halo, trihalomethyl, trihalomethoxy, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxy, di(C₁₋₆alkyl)amino, di(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminoC₁₋₆alkyloxy or C₁₋₆alkyloxycarbonyl; or
when R⁵ and R⁶ are on adjacent positions they may taken together form a bivalent radical of formula

- O-CH₂-O- (d-1),
- O-(CH₂)₂-O- (d-2),
- CH=CH-CH=CH- (d-3), or
- NH-C(O)-NR¹⁴=CH- (d-4),

wherein R¹⁴ is C₁₋₆alkyl;

aryl is phenyl or phenyl substituted with halo, C₁₋₆alkyl or C₁₋₆alkyloxy;

with the proviso that when

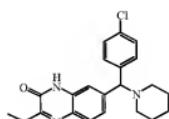
n is 0, X is N, R¹ is C₁₋₆alkyl, R² is hydrogen, R³ is a group of formula (b-1), t is 0, Z is the heterocyclic ring system (c-2) wherein said heterocyclic ring system Z is attached to the rest of the molecule with a nitrogen atom, and R¹² is hydrogen; then at least one of the substituents R⁴, R⁵ or R⁶ is other than hydrogen, halo, C₁₋₆alkyl or C₁₋₆alkyloxy and that 7-benzoyl-3-methyl-2(1H)-quinoxalinone is excluded.

2. (Original) A compound as claimed in claim 1 wherein
n is 0 or 1; X is N or CR⁷, wherein R⁷ is hydrogen; R¹ is C₁₋₆alkyl; R² is hydrogen; R³ is a radical selected from (a-1) or (a-2) or is group of formula (b-1); s is 0, 1 or 2; R⁸ is C₁₋₆alkyl or arylC₁₋₆alkyl(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminoC₁₋₆alkyl; t is 0, 1 or 2; Z is a heterocyclic ring system selected from (c-1), (c-2), (c-3), (c-4), (c-5) or (c-11); each R¹² independently is hydrogen or C₁₋₆alkyloxyC₁₋₆alkylamino; each R¹³ independently is hydrogen; and R⁴, R⁵ and R⁶ are each independently selected from hydrogen, halo or C₁₋₆alkyl.

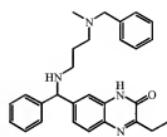
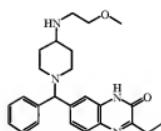
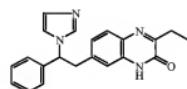
3. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 1 wherein

n is 0 or 1; X is N; R¹ is C₁₋₆alkyl; R² is hydrogen; R³ is a radical of formula (a-1) or is a group of formula (b-1); s is 0; R⁸ is arylC₁₋₆alkyl(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminoC₁₋₆alkyl; t is 0; Z is a heterocyclic ring system selected from (c-1) or (c-2); each R¹² independently is hydrogen or C₁₋₆alkyloxyC₁₋₆alkylamino; each R¹³ independently is hydrogen; and R⁴, R⁵ and R⁶ are each independently selected from hydrogen or halo.

4. (Previously Presented) A compound selected from compound No 5, compound No 9, compound No 2 and compound No 1:



compound 5;

compound 9
.C₂H₂O₄ (1:2) ;compound 2
.C₂H₂O₄ (2:5) ; and

compound 1 .

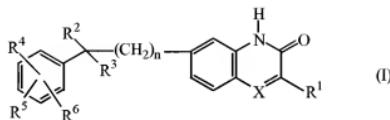
and the N-oxide forms, the addition salts and the stereo-chemically isomeric forms thereof.

5. (Cancelled)

6. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier and as an active ingredient a therapeutically effective amount of a compound according to claim 1.

7. (Cancelled)

8. (Withdrawn) A method of treating in a subject a PARP mediated disorder, said method comprising administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of formula (I)



the *N*-oxide forms, the pharmaceutically acceptable addition salts and the stereochemically isomeric forms thereof, wherein

n is 0, 1 or 2;

X is N or CR⁷, wherein R⁷ is hydrogen or taken together with R¹ may form a bivalent radical of formula -CH=CH-CH=CH-;

R¹ is C₁₋₆alkyl or thienyl;

R² is hydrogen, hydroxy, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₃₋₆alkynyl or taken together with R³ may form =O;

R³ is a radical selected from

- (CH₂)_s - NR⁸R⁹ (a-1),
- O - H (a-2), or
- O - R¹⁰ (a-3),
- ~~- S - R¹¹ -~~ (a-4), ~~or~~
- ~~- C ≡ N -~~ (a-5);

wherein

s is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

R⁸ is -CHO, C₁₋₆alkyl, hydroxyC₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkylcarbonyl,

di(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminoC₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxyC₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkylcarbonylaminoC₁₋₆alkyl, piperidinylC₁₋₆alkyl, piperidinylC₁₋₆alkylaminocarbonyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxy,

thienylC₁₋₆alkyl, pyrrolylC₁₋₆alkyl, arylC₁₋₆alkylpiperidinyl,

arylcarbonylC₁₋₆alkyl, arylcarbonylpiperidinylC₁₋₆alkyl,

haloindolozolypiperidinylC₁₋₆alkyl, or

arylC₁₋₆alkyl(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminoC₁₋₆alkyl;

R⁹ is hydrogen or C₁₋₆alkyl; and

R¹⁰ is C₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkylcarbonyl or di(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminoC₁₋₆alkyl; and

R¹¹ is di(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminoC₁₋₆alkyl;

or R³ is a group of formula



wherein

t is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

Z is a heterocyclic ring system selected from



(c-1)



(c-2)



(c-3)



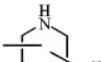
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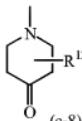
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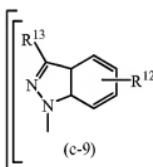
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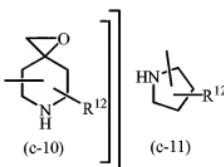
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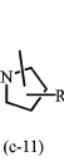
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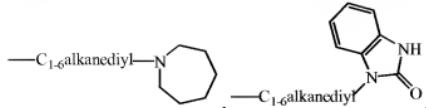


(c-10)



(c-11)

wherein each R¹² independently is hydrogen, C₁₋₆alkyl, aminocarbonyl, hydroxy,



C₁₋₆alkyloxyC₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxyC₁₋₆alkylamino, di(phenylC₂₋₆alkenyl), piperidinylC₁₋₆alkyl, C₃₋₁₀cycloalkyl, C₃₋₁₀cycloalkylC₁₋₆alkyl, aryloxy(hydroxy)C₁₋₆alkyl, haloindazolyl, arylC₁₋₆alkyl, arylC₂₋₆alkenyl, morpholino, C₁₋₆alkylimidazolyl, or pyridinylC₁₋₆alkylamino; and each R¹³ independently is hydrogen, piperidinyl or aryl;

R⁴, R⁵ and R⁶ are each independently selected from hydrogen, halo, trihalomethyl, trihalomethoxy, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxy, di(C₁₋₆alkyl)amino, di(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminoC₁₋₆alkyloxy or C₁₋₆alkyloxycarbonyl; or when R⁵ and R⁶ are on adjacent positions they may taken together form a bivalent radical of formula

- O-CH₂-O (d-1),
 - O-(CH₂)₂-O- (d-2),
 - CH=CH-CH=CH- (d-3), or
 - NH-C(O)-NR¹⁴=CH- (d-4),
- wherein R¹⁴ is C₁₋₆alkyl;

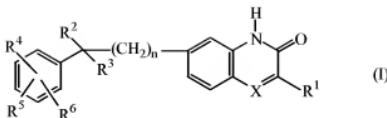
aryl is phenyl or phenyl substituted with halo, C₁₋₆alkyl or C₁₋₆alkyloxy.

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Withdrawn) A method for enhancing the effectiveness of chemotherapy of comprising administration of a compound according to claim 1, in a therapeutically effective amount so as to increase sensitivity of cells to chemotherapy, prior to administration of said chemotherapy .

11. (Withdrawn) A method for enhancing the effectiveness of radiotherapy of comprising administration of a compound according to claim 1, in a therapeutically effective amount so as to increase sensitivity of cells to ionizing radiation, prior to administration of said radiotherapy .

12. (Withdrawn) A combination of a compound of formula (I) with a chemotherapeutic agent



the *N*-oxide forms, the pharmaceutically acceptable addition salts and the stereochemically isomeric forms thereof, wherein

n is 0, 1 or 2;

X is N or CR⁷, wherein R⁷ is hydrogen or taken together with R¹ may form a bivalent radical of formula -CH=CH-CH=CH-;

R¹ is C₁₋₆alkyl or thiencyl;

R² is hydrogen, hydroxy, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₃₋₆alkynyl or taken together with R³ may form =O;

R³ is a radical selected from

- (CH₂)_s - NR⁸R⁹ (a-1),
- O - H (a-2), or
- O - R¹⁰ (a-3),
- ~~- S - R¹¹~~ (a-4), ~~or~~
- ~~- C ≡ N -~~ (a-5);

wherein

s is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

R⁸, ~~and~~ R¹⁰ and R¹¹ are each independently selected from -CHO, C₁₋₆alkyl, hydroxyC₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkylcarbonyl, amino, C₁₋₆alkylamino, di(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminoC₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxycarbonyl, C₁₋₆alkylcarbonylaminoC₁₋₆alkyl, piperidinylC₁₋₆alkylaminocarbonyl, piperidinyl, piperidinylC₁₋₆alkyl, piperidinylC₁₋₆alkylaminocarbonyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxy, thiencylC₁₋₆alkyl, pyrrolylC₁₋₆alkyl, arylC₁₋₆alkylpiperidinyl, arylcarbonylC₁₋₆alkyl, arylcarbonylpiperidinylC₁₋₆alkyl, haloindozolylpiperidinylC₁₋₆alkyl, or arylC₁₋₆alkyl(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminoC₁₋₆alkyl; and

R⁹ is hydrogen or C₁₋₆alkyl;

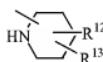
or R³ is a group of formula



wherein

t is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

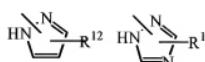
Z is a heterocyclic ring system selected from



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(c-2)



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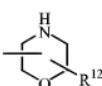
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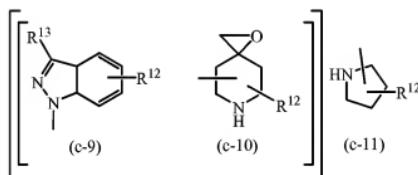
(c-6)



(c-7)



(c-8)



wherein each R¹² independently is hydrogen, halo, C₁₋₆alkyl, aminocarbonyl, amino,

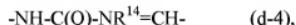
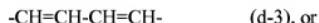
hydroxy, aryl,
 $\text{---C}_{1-6}\text{alkanediyl---N}$
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C₁₋₆alkylaminoC₁₋₆alkyloxy, C₁₋₆alkyloxyC₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxyC₁₋₆alkylamino, arylC₁₋₆alkyl, di(phenylC₂₋₆alkenyl), piperidinyl, piperidinylC₁₋₆alkyl,
C₃₋₁₀cycloalkyl, C₃₋₁₀cycloalkylC₁₋₆alkyl, aryloxy(hydroxy)C₁₋₆alkyl, haloindazolyl, arylC₁₋₆alkyl, arylC₂₋₆alkenyl, arylC₁₋₆alkylamino, morpholino, C₁₋₆alkylimidazolyl, or pyridinylC₁₋₆alkylamino;

each R¹³ independently is hydrogen, piperidinyl or aryl;

R^4 , R^5 and R^6 are each independently selected from hydrogen, halo, trihalomethyl, trihalomethoxy, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkyloxy, amino, amino C_{1-6} alkyl, di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino, di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino C_{1-6} alkyloxy or C_{1-6} alkyloxycarbonyl, or C_{1-6} alkyl substituted with 1, 2 or 3 substituents independently selected from hydroxy, C_{1-6} alkyloxy, or amino C_{1-6} alkyloxy; or

when R^5 and R^6 are on adjacent positions they may taken together form a bivalent radical of formula

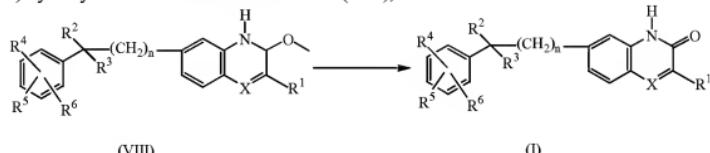


wherein R^{14} is C_{1-6} alkyl;

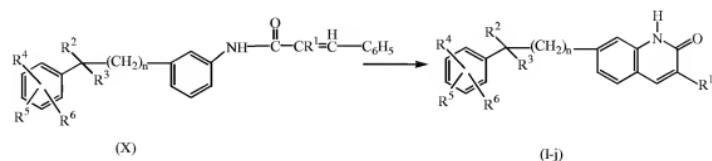
aryl is phenyl or phenyl substituted with halo, C_{1-6} alkyl or C_{1-6} alkyloxy.

13. (Withdrawn) A process for preparation of a compound as claimed in claim 1, comprising

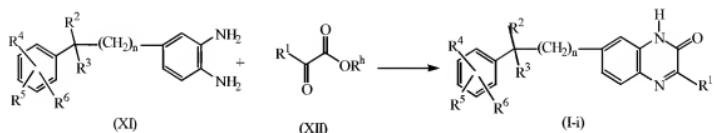
a) hydrolysis of intermediates of formula (VIII),



b) cyclization of intermediates of formula (X), into compounds of formula (I) wherein X is CH, herein referred to as compounds of formula (I-j), and s.



c) condensation of an appropriate ortho-benzenediamine of formula (XI) with an ester of formula (XII) wherein R^h is C₁₋₆alkyl, into compounds of formula (I), wherein X is N, herein referred to as compounds of formula (I-i), in the presence of a carboxylic acid.



14. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising pharmaceutically acceptable carriers and as an active ingredient a therapeutically effective amount of a compound as claimed in claim 2.

15. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising pharmaceutically acceptable carriers and as an active ingredient a therapeutically effective amount of a compound as claimed in claim 3.

16. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising pharmaceutically acceptable carriers and as an active ingredient a therapeutically effective amount of a compound as claimed in claim 4.

17. (Withdrawn) A method of treating in a subject a PARP mediated disorder, said method comprising administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of claim 2.

18. (Withdrawn) A method for enhancing the effectiveness of chemotherapy comprising administration of a compound according to claim 2, in a therapeutically effective amount so as to increase sensitivity of cells to chemotherapy, prior to administration of said chemotherapy .

19. (Withdrawn) A method for enhancing the effectiveness of radiotherapy comprising administration of a compound according to claim 2, in a therapeutically

effective amount so as to increase sensitivity of cells to ionizing radiation, prior to administration of said radiotherapy.

20. (Withdrawn) A method of treating in a subject a PARP mediated disorder, said method comprising administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of claim 3.

21. (Withdrawn) A method for enhancing the effectiveness of chemotherapy comprising administration of a compound according to claim 3, in a therapeutically effective amount so as to increase sensitivity of cells to chemotherapy, prior to administration of said chemotherapy .

22. (Withdrawn) A method for enhancing the effectiveness of radiotherapy comprising administration of a compound according to claim 3, in a therapeutically effective amount so as to increase sensitivity of cells to ionizing radiation, prior to administration of said radiotherapy.

23. (Withdrawn) A method of treating in a subject a PARP mediated disorder, said method comprising administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of claim 4.

24. (Withdrawn) A method for enhancing the effectiveness of chemotherapy comprising administration of a compound according to claim 4, in a therapeutically effective amount so as to increase sensitivity of cells to chemotherapy, prior to administration of said chemotherapy .

25. (Withdrawn) A method for enhancing the effectiveness of radiotherapy comprising administration of a compound according to claim 4, in a therapeutically effective amount so as to increase sensitivity of cells to ionizing radiation, prior to administration of said radiotherapy.

26 (Withdrawn) A combination of a compound with a chemotherapeutic agent wherein said compound is a compound of claim 2.

27 (Withdrawn) A combination of a compound with a chemotherapeutic agent wherein said compound is a compound of claim 3.

28 (Withdrawn) A combination of a compound with a chemotherapeutic agent wherein said compound is a compound of claim 4.

29. (Previously Presented) A product made by the process of claim 13.

30. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition made by the process of claim 13.